

The kind of news coverage we currently get has already declined significantly since deregulation allowed media outlets to concentrate ownership. Polls showed that half of the people who supported the Iraq war also thought that Saddam Hussein was the mastermind of the WTC attack. I am astonished and profoundly dissatisfied in members of Congress who would even entertain further weakening our free press. It would only benefit a few moguls and damage the whole populace. Who could even contemplate, let alone sponsor, such legislation?

To function properly, the country needs diverse and dissenting voices, but they are vanishing. I am asking that you do what you can to reverse this pernicious trend that makes news into entertainment and media into stooges for government propaganda. It should be the force that challenges government to be accountable and to justify its actions.

If concentration continues, even Congressmen and Senators will not be able find a forum to express dissenting views. I urge you to exert control now, before it is too late.